

Fair Entry Guide

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EXHIBITORS' GUIDE

Mason County Fairgrounds | Shelton, WA
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Mason Area Fair Aims & Purposes

☛ To promote a general theme, focusing on our community and its natural resources to include produce and our local agriculture.

☛ To consistently use demonstrations, contests, and judging to furnish educational and training opportunities.

☛ To showcase a balanced variety of displays, both

educational and commercial, to include 4-H, FFA, Open Class and community civic organizations.

☛ To encourage local residents of all ages and abilities to participate in and attend the fair.

☛ To assure our senior citizens a place to showcase their talents and encourage their participation in a safe and caring atmosphere.

☛ To provide friendly competition for all youth and adults in every department of the fair.

☛ To encourage business partnerships through sponsorship support, including display opportunities of products and services.

☛ To educate county residents about agricultural living and include the promotion of home arts and rural organizations.

☛ To showcase quality entertainment and events focused on family values and our culturally rich environment.

☛ To continue providing a county fair rich in tradition and history and to focus attention to current trends for all future generations.

Entry & livestock arrival times

DEPARTMENT	DAY	DATE	TIMES
Open Class Still Life			
Agriculture	Thu	7/28	1pm - 8pm
Aquaculture	Thu	7/28	1pm - 8pm
Baking.....	Thu	7/28	1pm - 8pm
Ceramics	Wed	7/27	1pm - 8pm
Crafts	Wed	7/27	1pm - 8pm-
Fine Arts	Wed	7/27	3pm - 8pm
Floral.....	Thu	7/28	12pm - 8pm
Food Preservation.....	Wed	7/27	1pm - 8pm-
Grange Exhibits.....	Thu	7/28	by 10pm
Hobbies	Wed	7/27	1pm - 8pm
Lapidary.....	Wed	7/27	10am - 6pm
.....	Thu	7/28	10am - 3pm
Literary Arts	CALL		mail/email
Needlecraft	Wed	7/27	10am - 7pm
Photography	Wed	7/27	3pm - 8pm
Wine Making.....		7/27	or ship
Open Class Livestock			
Open Class Livestock	Thu	7/28	3pm - 9pm
Open Class & 4-H Dogs	Fri	7/29	by 9am
4-H Live Animal Exhibits			
Livestock & Horses	Thu	7/28	3pm - 9pm
Dogs & Cats.....	Fri	7/29	8am - 9pm
4-H Still Life Exhibits			
Home Arts	Wed	7/27	3pm - 8pm
Animal Sciences	Wed	7/27	3pm - 8pm
Foods/Plants	Wed	7/27	3pm - 8pm
FFA Chapters			
Livestock.....	Thu	7/28	3pm - 9pm
All Other Entries.....	Thu	7/28	3pm - 9pm

This is YOUR Fair!

For over 100 years residents have gathered to show off their best fruits, vegetables, grains, flowers, wool, quilts, sheep, chickens, goats, pigs, horses, paintings, photographs, pies, canned goods, etc.

While the world has changed since the first county fair in Mason County in 1908 – there is still much to be gained by gathering as a community!

We encourage you and your family to participate in this vital community event.

Call now to find out ways you can sponsor or volunteer to present this event – 360-427-5599. *Thank you!*



4-H/FFA MARKET LIVESTOCK AUCTION

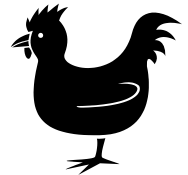
- *Animals must have attended the Spring Weigh-In
- *Bidder Security Forms due at Ext. Office by mid -July
- *Auction will take place Saturday 7/30 @ 5:00 pm

MASON AREA FAIR EXHIBITS ~ Rules & Regulations

1. No article shall be allowed to compete for more than one premium, nor shall be entered in more than one class.
2. All animals are required to be checked by the Fair Veterinarian before being entered onto the Fairgrounds. Animal health regulations can be obtained at the Mason County Extension Service Office.
3. All entries must be the work of the exhibitor.
4. First premium will be designated by a blue ribbon for first place, red for second, and white for third.
5. Premium money will not be awarded to articles of inferior merit. Should a premium be found to have been obtained under false representation or a violation of the RULES, premium money will be held by the Fair.
6. The Fair Management reserves the right to debar any exhibitor from exhibiting an entry.
7. The exhibitor must remove their exhibit at the end of the Fair. Any article left in the building or on the fairgrounds will be at the risk of the owner.
8. The Fair will take reasonable precaution to ensure the safety of exhibits but the owners exhibit at their own risk. Should any article be stolen, lost, or burned, the Fair shall not be liable to the value thereof. Exhibits having collectors value must be brought to the attention of the superintendent for special security needs.
9. No "FOR SALE" signs may be placed on exhibits.
10. Ideally premium checks will be prepared approximately 8 weeks after the Fair. Any infraction of rules may result in forfeiture of premiums. Checks will be mailed to exhibitors at their home address. **Premium monies are subject to availability** and may be deemed unavailable or available only to youth entries and are subject to Department of Agriculture approval.
11. Disabled persons interested in exhibiting at the Mason Area Fair and who would require assistance to do so should contact the Office Manager at (360) 427-5599
12. Exhibitors from outside of Mason County **ARE ENCOURAGED TO ENTER** this area fair.
13. Entries shall be accepted at the times designated. Please call 360-427-5599 if you have questions or need to make special arrangements. ALL exhibits must remain on display until 6:00pm on Sunday.
14. **EXHIBITS RELEASED ACCORDING TO THE SPECIFICATIONS OF THE EXHIBIT RELEASE SCHEDULE POSTED BELOW.**

2011 EXHIBIT RELEASE SCHEDULE

THIS SCHEDULE IS A REQUIREMENT OF PARTICIPATION IN THE MASON AREA FAIR. IT IS DESIGNED FOR THE SAFETY AND WELL BEING OF THE ANIMALS, FAIR PATRONS, EXHIBITORS AND THEIR EXHIBITS. **PLEASE NOTE:** DRIVE-IN GATE PASSES ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL VEHICLES ENTERING FAIR GATES BEFORE CLOSURE AT 6:00 PM SUNDAY. PARKING ON GROUNDS AT TIMES OTHER THAN THOSE SCHEDULED BELOW WILL NOT BE PERMITTED.



5:00 PM - **4-H HORSES & CATTLE**- CAN LEAD OUT THE BACK GATE - NO VEHICLES

5:00 PM - **SHEEP & GOATS**- Vehicles and/or trailers, used to transport sheep and goats, may enter the back gate, with proper Drive-in Gate Pass and pick up animals. As soon as the animals are loaded, the vehicles must be moved outside of the gates to make room for other vehicles.

5:30 PM - **SWINE & LLAMAS** - Vehicles and/or trailers used to transport swine and llamas may enter the back gate, with proper Drive-in Gate Pass, and pick up animals. As soon as the animals are loaded, the vehicles must be moved outside of the gates to make room for other vehicles.

6:00 PM - **MARKET ANIMALS, 4-H HORSES, CATTLE, POULTRY, CAVIES, & RABBITS** - Vehicles and/or trailers used to transport market animals; 4-H horses, cattle, poultry, cavies, and rabbits may enter the back gate, with proper Drive-in Gate Pass, and pick up animals. As soon as the animals are loaded, the vehicles must be moved outside of the gates to make room for other vehicles.

6:00 PM - **STILL LIFE BUILDINGS CLOSED TO FAIR PATRONS TO TAKE DOWN EXHIBITS** - The length of time will be determined by individual department. Check your department's rules or with the department superintendent. Any still life exhibits requiring a vehicle for pickup, will not be allowed to enter gates until 7:00pm.

7:00 PM - **VENDORS & ALL OTHER EXHIBITS** Vendors may enter the front gate in their vehicles. Note: all drive in traffic will enter the grounds from the main gate and exit the grounds from the livestock gate. All other exhibits requiring a vehicle for pickup may also enter at this time.